HIDES WORTH MORE

Tendency of the Market Is Upward.

DEMAND MUCH BROADER

Change in the Market Indicates Improved Business Conditions in Other Lines—Active Buying of Fruits.

The revival of interest in the hide market is one of the most encouraging signs of the returning of normal conditions in the Eastern States. The hide market is exceedingly sensitive to monetary conditions and is so closely related to other lines of business, the leather and shoe trade, the packing industry, etc., that any improvement in its condition is but the reflection of betterment in other branches of industry. When the money troubles occurred last Fall the hide market was the first to suffer and in it the slump in prices was greatest, quotations at the minimum being only half what they were a few months before.

The tide has turned now and prices have a general upward tendency, though the course of values is likely to be interrupted at times by temporary market conditions. At the moment there is a good demand all over the country and prices are firmly maintained. In the local market salted hides are quoted at 7@8 cents and calf skins at 12@13 cents, with green hides a cent less. Dry hides are held at 14@15 cents, dry kip at 13 cents and dry calf skins at 16 cents.

In its latest issue Dun's Review says of the general hide market:

"Packer hides are well sustained at late selling rates, but most sales recently have been of a scattering nature and in some instances at ¼c over figures quotable on large blocks to big buyers. About mid-week the United States Leather Company entered the market for a block of about 25,000 branded hides, including all kinds of these. Cattle receipts have shown a small percentage of native stock and this class of hides is closely sold up in both steers and cows, with prices firm at late selling rates. The small kill throughout country districts limits the receipts of short-haired country hides, and as the demand for these is good, tanners have been obliged to pay fancy prices to secure desirable lots. Country hides have advanced again, with sales of buffs in Chicago at 11½c. The foreign hide markets continue excited and the Paris auction sales about the first of the month resulted in extreme advances ranging from 12 to 28 per cent on heavy hides. Latin American dry hides are a full cent higher than a week ago, with advances of ½c between sales."

WHEAT MARKET NOT VERY ACTIVE

Bullish Views of Farmers Keep Down Volume of Business.

There was no change in conditions in the wheat market yesterday. Exporters are in the market, but sellers are backward and the quantity of wheat changing hands is not great.

The tendency of the wheat market at the Board of Trade was weak. There was only one bid for September, 87 cents, which was a cent under Monday's price. For December 87 and 88 was offered and 90 and 91 asked. Oats were firm, with September 5 cents and December 2½ cents higher. Barley was weak and 2½ cents under Monday's quotations.

Receipts for the day were 40 cars and 800 sacks wheat; 1 car and 392 sacks oats, 3 cars and 1284 sacks barley, 13 cars and 900 bales hay and 1 car rolled oats.

The range of futures was as follows:

(F. o. b. warehouse Portland.)

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
September.	$ .87	.....	.....	$ .87 B
December..	.87	.91A	.87	.88 B
OATS.				
September.	1.25	1.30	1.25	1.30 B
December..	1.35	.....	.....	1.35 B
BARLEY.				
September.	1.15	.....	.....	1.15 B
December..	1.17½	.....	.....	1.17½B

FUGGLES ATTACKED BY RED SPIDER

Late Hops Not Affected by the Insect Pest.

Hop experts who have investigated the red spider trouble say the pest so far has only attacked the Fuggles. The attack is by no means general, but a few yards between Salem and Silverton are badly hurt. Very little is known here about fighting the pest, which seems proof against ordinary spraying. The insect makes its web on the under side of the leaf and is hard to dislodge. Its presence is known by the leaf turning red. Washington hopmen say the ravages of the insect are always checked by rain.

New York hop crop conditions are reported by the latest state papers as follows:

Local rains have put a brighter face on the hopyards in this vicinity and the burrs have developed into quite sizable hops in the early varieties. With hop-picking only about two weeks off, there is now little chance of the further development of the vine, and the crop is sure to be a light one, lighter even than was at first estimated.—Waterville Times.

Hops are slowly coming out of the burr, much more slowly than usual and some growers express the opinion that some will not get out at all. Rain is again much needed at this time. Our advices from the other hop counties of the state agree that the crop will be one-third short on the average, as predicted of the crop in Schoharie County.—Schoharie Republican.

Although the hop crop will be considerably less than an average yield, the vine looks healthy and bright and a hop of fine quality is looked for. Hop-picking will be with us within three weeks.—Morrisville Leader.

There is no change in the hop situation. The continued dry weather is retarding the oncoming crop considerably. They are coming out of the burr very slowly. A little rain would improve matters somewhat, but could not make up for all that has been lost.—Cooperstown Farmer.

The extremely hot weather of last week was unfavorable to the hop crop in Franklin County and many growers report that lice are on the increase. Some yards are also effected by honey dew to some extent. Hops are now in the burr and the unfavorable conditions noted have had the effect of checking the growth.—Malone Gazette.

ANOTHER ADVANCE IN EGG MARKET

Extras Quoted at 26 and 27 Cents—Poultry Receipts Light.

Egg quotations are gradually getting up, extras selling yesterday at 26@27 cents. The demand for No. 1 stock continues strong and the supply is limited. Egg receipts yesterday were 260 cases.

Poultry arrivals were unusually small. Hens were in good demand at 13@14 cents and Spring chickens at 16 cents.

There were no new developments in the butter and cheese markets. Butter receipts were 120 boxes.

HEAVY DEMAND FOR FRESH FRUITS

Watermelons and Peaches Are the Most Active.

The hot weather made a good demand for fresh fruit and the jobbers are glad to see it moving, as it is a dangerous article to carry with the present high temperature. Watermelons were in strongest favor yesterday and were very firm. Five cars arrived. The supply of cantaloupes is heavy and the maket is quoted weaker.

Some fine-looking early Crawford peaches came from Ashland and were offered at 90c@$1. The ordinary run of local Hale's Early were quoted easy at 40@75c. California Elbertas are cleaning up well at 85@90c.

A large shipment of Honolulu pineapples was received and offered at $3 per dozen.

Weekly Grain Statistics.

The weekly grain statistics of the Merchants Exchange follow:

American Visible Supply.

	Bushels.	Increase.
August 17, 1908	17,443,000	445,000
August 19, 1907	49,271,000	788,000
August 20, 1906	31,949,000	228,000
August 21, 1905	13,722,000	*177,000
August 21, 1904	12,558,000	45,000
August 17, 1903	12,458,000	*632,000
August 18, 1902	20,264,000	*1,509,000
August 19, 1901	26,770,000	*1,449,000
August 20, 1900	49,761,000	1,543,000
August 21, 1899	36,078,000	*178,000

*Decrease.

Quantities on Passage.

	Week Ending Aug. 15. Bushels.	Week Ending Aug. 8. Bushels.	Week Ending Aug. 17, '07 Bushels.
For—			
U. K.	15,280,000	9,920,000	17,680,000
Continent	9,120,000	8,320,000	8,960,000
Total	24,400,000	18,240,000	26,640,000

World's Shipments Principal Exporting Countries (Flour Included).

	Week Ending Aug. 15. Bushels.	Week Ending Aug. 8. Bushels.	Week Ending Aug. 17, '07 Bushels.
From—			
U. S. and Can.	3,760,000	2,176,000	2,947,000
Argentine	920,000	2,336,000	1,600,000
India	40,000	.....	848,000
Australia	328,000	304,000	224,000
Danubian Pts	400,000	236,000	1,525,000
Russia	392,000	152,000	640,000
Total	5,840,000	5,424,000	7,184,000

Alaska Potato Buying Nearly Over.

Two cars of early potatoes are being loaded for Alaska shipment. Buying for the Far North is still under way, but will not continue after this week, as the White River and Yakima crops will be ready for the Seattle buyers when they prepare shipments for next week's steamer. In this territory $1.25 is being paid for choice shipping stock.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,141,071	$137,112
Seattle	1,394,836	111,111
Tacoma	676,867	33,939
Spokane	832,620	153,751

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 88c per bushel; forty-fold, 90c; Turkey red, 90c; rifle, 86c; bluestem, 92c; Valley, 88c.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.85 per barrel; straights, $4.05@4.35; exports, $3.70; Valley, $4.45; ¼-sack graham, $4.40; whole wheat, $4.65; rye, $5.50.

BARLEY—Feed, $24.50 per ton; rolled, $27@28; brewing, $26.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26.00 per ton; middlings, $31; shorts, country, $29; city, $28; U. S. Mill chop, $22.

OATS—No. 1 white, $26.50 per ton; gray, $26.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $14 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, $11; Eastern Oregon, $16.50; mixed, $15; clover, $9; alfalfa, $11; alfalfa meal, $20.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, new California, $1.25@1.50 per box; cherries, 3@10c per lb.; peaches, 40c@$1 per box; prunes, $1.25 per crate; Bartlett pears, $1.25@1.75 per box; plums, 50@90c per box; grapes, $1.25@1.50 per crate; apricots, $1; blackberries, $1@1.10.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Mediterranean sweets, $3@3.75 per box; Valencia lates, $3.50@4.50 per box; lemons, fancy, $5.50@6 per box; choice, $4.50@5; standard, $3.50 per box; grapefruit, choice to fancy, $3.50 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound.

POTATOES—Buying price, $1@1.25 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4c per pound.

MELONS—Cantaloupes, $1.25@1.50 per crate; watermelons, $1.50 per 100 loose; crated, ¼c per pound additional; casabas, $2.25 per dozen.

ONIONS—California, $1.50 per sack; Walla Walla, $1.15@1.25; garlic, 10c per pound.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.50 per sack; carrots, $1.75; parsnips, $1.75; beets, $1.50.

VEGETABLES—Beans, 5c per pound; cabbage, 2@2¼c per pound; corn, 25@30c per doz.; cucumbers, hothouse, 25@30c per dozen; outdoor, $1.00 per box; eggplant, 10c per pound; lettuce, head, 15c per dozen; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 4c per pound; peppers, 8@10c per pound; radishes, 12½c per dozen; spinach, 2c per pound; tomatoes, 75c@$1 per crate; celery, 90c@$1 dozen; artichokes, 75c dozen.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 7½c per pound; peaches, 11@12½c; prunes, Italian, 5@6½c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6½c.

RICE—Southern Japan, 6¼c; head, 8c; imperial Japan, 6¾c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12@16c per pound; Columbia Roast, 14c; Arbuckle, $16.50; Lion, $13.75.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; soc-eyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

SUGAR—Granulated, $5.25; extra C, $5.15; golden C, $5.05; fruit and berry sugar, $5.25; plain bag, $5.05; beet granulated, $5.05; cube (barrels), $5.65; powdered (barrels), $5.50. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days, and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16½@18c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 16c; pecans, 18c; almonds, 16½@18c; chestnuts, Ohio, 25c; peanuts, raw, 6¼@8½c per pound; roasted, 10c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $14.50 per ton, $2 per bale; half ground, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.50 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 5¼c; large white, 5¼c; pink, 4¼c; bayou, 4c; Lima, 6c; Mexican red, 4¾c.

HONEY—Fancy, $3.50@3.75 per box.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, per barrel, $7; lower grades, $5.50@6.50; oatmeal, steel-cut, 45-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 9-lb. sacks, $4.25 per bale; split peas, per 100 pounds, $4.25@4.80; pearl barley, $4.50@5 per 100 lbs.; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.75 per bale; flaked wheat, $2.75 per case.

GRAIN BAGS—6½c each.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1907, prime and choice, 4¼@5c per pound; olds, 1@1½c per pound; contracts, nominal.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 19@16½c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 15@18½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 18@18½c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 14@16c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 13c pound; dry calfskins, 16c pound; salted hides, 7@8c pound; salted calfskins, 12@13c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins, Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, each, $5.00@10; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@50c; house, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, each, 40@50c red, each, $3@5; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@300; fisher, each, $5@8; lynx, each, $4.50@6; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@3; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, each, $10@15; marten, pale, according to size and color, each, $2.50@4; muskrat, large, each, 12@15c; skunk, each, 30@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $6@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@3; raccoon, for prime large, each, 50@75c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $3.50@5.00; prairie (coyote), 60c@$1.10; wolverine, each, $6@8.00.

CASCARA BARK—New, 4½c; carloads, 5c; old, 5c; carloads, 5½c per pound.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Extras, 30c per pound; fancy, 27½c; choice, 25c; store, 18c.

EGGS—Oregon extras, 26@27c; firsts, 24@25c; seconds, 22@23c; thirds, 15@20c. Eastern, 24@25c per dozen.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 13@13½c lb.; fancy hens, 14c; roosters, 10c; Spring, 16c; ducks, old, 12c; Spring, 13@15c; geese, old, 8c; young, 10c; turkeys, old, 17@18c; young, 20c.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 14½c per pound; full cream triplets, 14½c; full cream Young America, 15½c.

VEAL—Extra, 8c per pound; ordinary, 7@7½c; heavy, 5c.

PORK—Fancy, 7c per lb.; ordinary, 6c; large, 5c.

MUTTON—Fancy, 8@9c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 23c per lb.; standard, 19½c; choice, 18½c; English, 17@17½c; strips, 15c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 11½c; smoked, 12½c; short clear backs, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c; Oregon exports, bellies dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c.

HAMS—10 to 13 lbs., 17c; 14 to 16 lbs., 16½c; 18 to 20 lbs., 16c; hams, skinned, 16c; picnics, 10½c; cottage roll, 12c; shoulders, 12c; boiled ham, 20c; boiled picnic, 15c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 13¼c; tubs, 13½c; 50s, 13½c; 20s, 13¾c; 10s, 14c; 5s, 14¼c; 3s, 14c. Standard, pure: Tierces, 12¼c; tubs, 12¼c; 50s, 12½c; 20s, 12¾c; 10s, 13c; 5s, 13½c. Compounds: Tierces, 8½c; tubs, 8¾c; 50s, 8¾c; 20s, 8¾c; 10s, 9¼c; 5s, 9½c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 70c; dried beef sets, 16c; dried beef outsides, 13c; dried beef insides, 18c; dried beef knuckles, 18c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50; lambs' tongues, $23; S. P. beef tongues, $20; pig snouts, $12.50; pig ears, $12.50.

MESS MEATS—Beef, specials, $13 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; pork, $21 per barrel; brisket, $25 per barrel.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm. Creameries, 18@23½c; dairies, 17@20c.

Eggs—Firm; at mark, cases included, 14@17c; firsts, 18½c; prime firsts, 20c.

Cheese—Firm, 11½@13½c.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Butter—Firm; creamery specials, 26c; extras, 25@25½c; third to firsts, 18@22c. Western factory firsts, 19c; Western imitation creamery firsts, 19½@20c.

Cheese—Quiet, unchanged.

Eggs—Strong. Western firsts, 19@20c; seconds, 17½@18½c.

DAIRY PRODUCE IS FIRM

HEAVY ALASKA SHIPMENTS KEEP UP SEATTLE PRICES.

Another 20 Cent Reduction in Flour—Veal Sells at Record Figure.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Butter and eggs are very firm, due to heavy shipments North. The steamer Mackinaw, leaving tonight, refused shiuments of butter and eggs this afternoon.

Three cars of watermelons came through from Portland today. Watermelons are selling better than at any time this season, as the fruit is in better condition than it has been before.

Tomatoes are commencing to come in freely. The best stock is held at from $1 to $1.25.

The veal market is firmer and higher prices are obtained on fancy stock. Good veal sold today for 12 cents, one of the highest prices ever paid in this market at this time of the year.

Millers have announced a reduction of 20 cents on local flour. While new business has been taken on this basis since Saturday, the new price was not made public until today. Flour has declined 80 cents in the last six weeks.

There was very little trading in wheat today.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Milleuffs—Bran, $28@30.50; middlings, $32.50@35.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 20@50c; garlic, 6@7c; green peas, 3@5c; string beans, 2@5c; asparagus, 30@5c; tomatoes, $1@1.50; eggplant, 50@65c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 25c; creamery seconds, 23½c; fancy dairy, 22c; dairy seconds, 20c.

Cheese—New, 10½@11½c; Young America, 12½@13c.

Eggs—Store, 32½c; fancy ranch, 36½c.

Poultry—Roasters, old, $5.50@4.50; roasters, young, $5@7; broilers, small, $2.50@3; broilers, large, $3@3.50; fryers, $4@5; hens, $4.50@7.50; ducks, old, $5.50@4.50; young, $5@5.50.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 15@18c; Mountain, 4@8c; South Plains and San Joaquin, 7@9c; Nevada, 9@12c.

Hay—Wheat, $14@18.50; wheat and oats, $12@16.50; alfalfa, $11@13.50; stock, $10@12; straw, per bale, 60@75c.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 75@85c; Salinas Burbanks, $1.30@1.70; sweets, 2½@3c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, 60c; common, 40c; bananas, $1@3.50; Mexican limes, $4@5; California lemons, choice, $3.50; common, $1.00; pineapples, $1.50@3.

Receipts—Flour, 5,142 quarter sacks; wheat, 75 centals; barley, 8320 centals; oats, 2040 centals; corn, 60 centals; potatoes, 5490 sacks; bran, 155 sacks; middlings, 203 sacks; hay, 573 tons; wool, 89 bales; hides, 710.

GOOD BRISTOL BAY PACK

CANNERS NOT PREPARED FOR SUCH HEAVY RUN.

Capacity of Nushagak River Plants Taxed to Utmost—First of Fleet Arrives.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 18.—The first of the salmon fleet to arrive here from the canneries on the Nushagak River, Bristol Bay, Alaska, was the steamer North Star, of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, which put in an appearance this morning, after having sailed from the North on August 6. All on board were well and she reported that during the entire season the health of the cannery workers was excellent and there was not an accident of any consequence to any one of the several thousand men working in the different canneries.

The pack of all was entirely satisfactory and, in fact, all the cans that had been prepared were easily filled and many more could have been if they had been available. It was believed, when the vessels started North, that the season would be a poor one and that the price would be low, so only a small pack was prepared for. Events have turned out different, however, as the pack in Southeastern Alaska has been a practical failure, which makes the Bering Sea pack much more valuable, and all the canners now regret that they had not made preparations for a larger pack.

The individual packs of the three canneries owned on the Columbia are as follows: Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, 42,000; Portland-Alaska Fishing Company, 56,000; Columbia River Packers' Association, 51,000. The other canneries on the Nushagak River, especially those of the Alaska Packers' Association, had equally good luck.

The ship Henry Villard, with the pack of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, was towed out of the river on August 6 and under the conditions experienced by the North Star, should arrive within a few days. The other vessels of the fleet were scheduled to sail two weeks later.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Aug. 18.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 1.62½	Parrot	27.12½
Allouez	39.00	Quincy	95.50
Amalgamated	77.87½	Shannon	15.12½
Atlantic	14.00	Tamarack	51.00
Bingham	.50	Trinity	21.00
Cal & Hecla	680.00	United Copper	10.75
Centennial	35.75	U. S. Mining	42.62½
Copper Range	77.62½	U. S. Oil	26.50
Daly West	16.00	Utah	46.50
Franklin	12.00	Victoria	5.50
Granby	102.00	Winona	8.75
Isle Royale	23.00	Wolverine	142.00
Mass Mining	7.87½	North Butte	84.00
Michigan	12.25	Butte Coal	27.50
Mohawk	67.00	Nevada	15.25
Mont C & C	.65	Cal & Ariz	121.00
Old Dominion	49.75	Ariz Com	122.00
Osceola	111.00	Greene Can	11.62½

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Closing quotations:

Alice	250	Leadville Con	8
Breece	5	Little Chief	8
Brunswick Con	5	Mexican	67
Com Tun stock	22	Ontario	340
do bonds	17	Ophir	190
C C & Va	67	Standard	180
Horn Silver	50	Yellow Jacket	50
Iron Silver	130		

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Cotton futures closed steady, August, 10.10c; September, 9.40c; October, 9.31c; November, 9.03c; December, 9.04c; January, 9.01c; February, 9.03c; March, 9.06c.

Cotton—Spot closed 10 points decline. Mid Uplands, $10.40; mid Gulf, $10.65. No sales.

SHORTS DRIVEN IN

Upward Spurt in Union and Southern Pacific.

METAL STOCKS STRONG

Great Northern and Northern Pacific Affected by Rumors of Hill's Illness—Demand for Money Is Light—Bonds Irregular.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—In its essential features, today's stock market was largely a repetition of yesterday's. Prices moved with the same uncertainty, the buying and selling representing for the most part the operations of the professional element. Trading during the early session was in larger volume than on the previous day, but later became listless and devoid of significance.

There was an early drive against Great Northern and Northern Pacific, based on rumors of the serious illness of James J. Hill. Although these reports were soon authoritatively denied, those stocks held heavy throughout. Part of the day's board-room gossip dealt with the possibility of a reduction in the Great Northern and Northern Pacific dividends, but inasmuch as action on these dividends is still some two months off, this was not taken seriously.

In the industrials, American Smelting and Amalgamated Copper were active and strong in spite of the belief that conditions in the metal trade are less favorable than they were a fortnight ago.

In the final hour, shorts were hastily driven to cover by the sharp upward movement in Southern Pacific and Union Pacific, together with advices from the West of further crop improvement.

Demand for money is very light, all call loans recorded today being made at 1 per cent.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, $2,472,000. United States 2s registered advanced ½ and the coupon 2s, 3s and 4s registered advanced ¼ per cent on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	37,800	77	76¾	77¼
Am Car & Foun.	1,400	40¾	40	40¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	102
Am Cotton Oil	400	34¾	34¼	34½
Am Hd & Lt pf.	.....	.....	.....	20½
Am Ice Securi.	1,900	30¾	30¼	30¼
Am Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	12
Am Locomotive	1,500	55½	53½	56¼
do preferred	100	107	107	106½
Am Smelt & Ref	80,200	96½	93¾	94½
do preferred	900	108½	107¼	107½
Am Sugar Ref	500	135½	135	135
Am Tobacco pf	.....	.....	.....	93
Am Woolen	100	24¾	24¾	24½
Anaconda Min Co	5,700	47¾	46¾	47¾
Atchison	10,200	88	86¼	87¾
do preferred	100	96	95	94½
Atl Coast Line	.....	.....	.....	90¼
Balt & Ohio	7,700	94¾	93¾	93¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	82
Brook Rap Tran	9,300	53¾	52½	53
Canadian Pacific	5,400	172¼	171½	172¼
Central Leather	400	28¾	28½	28½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	96½
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	200
Ches & Ohio	600	42¼	42	42¼
Chi Gt Western	100	6½	6½	6½
Chicago & N W	2,100	160½	158¾	159¾
C, M & St Paul	32,500	146½	143¾	146½
C, C, C & St L	.....	.....	.....	59
Colo Fuel & Iron	4,000	34½	33¾	34
Colo & Southern	3,800	34¼	33¼	33¾
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	62
do 2d preferred	600	53¾	53¾	53
Consolidated Gas	300	137	137	137
Corn Products	.....	.....	.....	10
Del & Hudson	200	168½	168	168¾
D & R Grande	200	27	26½	26½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	86½
Distillers' Securi	600	37	36	36
Erie	2,200	23¾	23¼	23¼
do 1st preferred	200	38½	38½	38½
do 2d prefered	100	28¾	28¾	29
General Electric	.....	.....	.....	196¾
Gt Northern pf	61,500	138	135¾	136¾
Gt Northern Ore	1,000	66½	66	66
Illinois Central	100	154¼	137	136
Interborough Met	3,400	12¼	11¾	12¼
do preferred	500	34¾	33½	34¼
Int Paper	.....	.....	.....	16
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	58
Int Pump	500	25	24½	24¼
Iowa Central	100	17¾	17¾	17¼
K C Southern	.....	.....	.....	24¼
do preferred	100	57¼	57	57¼
Louis & Nashville	500	110½	110	109¾
Mexican Central	.....	.....	.....	18
Minn & St Louis	.....	.....	.....	29½
M, St P & S S M	700	119	118½	118½
Missouri Pacific	200	56¾	55¾	55¾
Mo, Kan & Texas	3,500	32½	31½	31¾
do preferred	200	64	64	62¾
National Lead	20,800	87¼	86	86½
N Y Central	5,500	105¾	104	104¾
N Y, Ont & West	900	42½	42	41¾
Norfolk & West	300	74	74	73½
North American	200	63	62	62½
Northern Pacific	70,700	144¾	141½	142¾
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	24¾
Pennsylvania	700	124¾	123¾	124
People's Gas	100	95¼	95¼	95½
P, C C & St L	.....	.....	.....	73
Pressed Steel Car	1,000	35¼	34¾	35
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	166
Ry Steel Spring	6,600	42¾	42¾	42¼
Reading	146,200	125¾	123¼	123¾
Republic Steel	500	23¼	22½	23
do preferred	900	78	76¾	77
Rock Island Co	700	17¾	16½	17¼
do preferred	5,600	33¾	32¾	32
St L & S F 2 pf	2,800	27½	24¼	24¼
St L Southwestern	100	17¼	17¼	17¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	38¼
Seaboard Air L	100	63	63	62¾
Southern Pacific	69,800	98	95¾	97¾
do preferred	200	118½	118¼	118½
Southern Railway	5,500	19¾	19	19¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	68¼
Tenn Copper	800	37	36¾	36¾
Texas & Pacific	7,300	25¾	25	25
Tol, St L & West	300	26¾	26	26
do preferred	500	57¼	56¾	57¼
Union Pacific	106,500	157¾	155¾	156¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	85
U S Rubber	200	34	34	34
do 1st preferred	100	101	101	100
U S Steel	82,300	46¼	45¼	45¾
do preferred	2,100	109¼	108¾	109
Utah Copper	1,200	44¾	44	44¼
Va-Caro Chemical	600	28¼	28	27¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	104¾
Wabash	.....	.....	.....	12½
do preferred	100	26¾	26¾	26½
Westinghouse Elec	5,000	70	65	67½
Western Union	100	56	56	55½
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	8½
Wisconsin Central	3,200	27	24½	26½

Total sales for the day, 866,100 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	103¾	N Y C G 3½s	91¾
do coupon	104	North Pacific 3s	72½
U. S. 3s reg	101	North Pacific 4s	102¼
do coupon	101	South Pacific 4s	87¾
U S new 4s reg	120¾	Union Pacific 4s	101½
do coupon	121¼	Wiscon Cent 4s	83¾
Atchison adj 4s	89½	Japanese 4s	78¼
D & R G 4s	92½		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Console for money, 86 5-16; do for account, 86⅝.

Anaconda	93.00	N. Y. Central	108.25
Atchison	90.50	Nofik & Wes	76.25
do pref	97.00	do pref	83.00
Balt & Ohio	94.75	Ont & West	43.75
Can Pacific	176.50	Pennsylvania	63.12½
Ches & Ohio	43.00	Rand Mines	8.50
Chi Grt West	6.87½	Reading	64.12½
C. M. & S. P.	149.50	Southern Ry	19.62½
De Beers	17.12½	do pref	50.00
D & R G	27.25	South Pacific	98.62½
do pref	88.50	Union Pacific	160.62½
Erie	24.00	do pref	87.00
do 1st pf	40.00	U. S. Steel	46.75
do 2d pf	29.50	do pref	112.12½
Grank Trunk	19.00	Wabash	13.00
Ill Central	141.00	do pref	27.50
L & N	113.00	Spanish 4s	93.00
Mo. K & T	33.00	Amal Copper	74.87½

Money, Exchange, Etc.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Bar silver, quiet, 23 11-16d per ounce.

Money, 1½@1¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1⅞ per cent; for three months' bills, 1 7-16@1½ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—Silver bars, 51¾c.

Mexican dollars, nominal.

Drafts, sight, 10c; telegraph, 12½c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85⅝; sight, $4.87.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Money on call easy, 1@1¼ per cent; ruling rate, 1 per cent; closing bid, 1 per cent; offered at 1 per cent.

Time loans dull; 60 days, 2 per cent; 90 days, 2½@3 per cent; six months, 3¾@4 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent.

Commercial bills, $4.84⅝.

Bar silver, 51¼c.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Government bonds strong; railroad bonds irregular.

Sterling exchange easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8485@4.8590 for 60-day bills, and at $4.8840 for demand.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Today's Treasury statement:

Available cash balance	$190,667,554
Gold coin and bullion	34,585,513
Gold certificates	31,988,290

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The market for evaporated apples continues quiet, with futures a shade easier in tone, owing to freer offerings for November delivery. Fancy, 10@10½c; choice, 8@9c; prime, 6¾@7c; common to fair, 5½@6½c.

Prunes are cleaning up on spot and while the demand is less active than recently, prices are firmly held, ranging from 4c to 13c for California, and from 6½c to 7½c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots are quiet. Choice, 8¾@9c; extra choice, 9½@10c; fancy, 10½@11c.

Peaches are in light demand. Choice, 8@8¾c; extra choice, 9@9½c; fancy, 9½@10½c; extra fancy, 10@11c.

Coast advices indicate a very firm feeling among primary holders of raisins, but the local situation reflects a quiet trade, with loose muscatel quoted at 4¾@6¼c; choice to fancy seeded, 6@7½c; seedless, 5@6c; London layers, $1.60@1.65.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points lower. Sales, 23,500 bags. September,